REMARKS

Applicants submit this Supplemental Preliminary Amendment in response to the Notification of Missing Requirements Under 35 U.S.C. § 371 (mailed May 17, 2005).

The Notification of Missing Requirements Under 35 U.S.C. § 371 alleges that the compact disc copy of the Sequence Listing is not the same as the computer readable form of the Sequence Listing. Thus, the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office has required applicants to provide a substitute paper or compact disc copy of the Sequence Listing, as well as an amendment directing its entry into the application. In compliance with this request, applicants have submitted herewith two, substitute compact disc copies (labeled as "Copy #1" and "Copy #2") of the Sequence Listing originally submitted in the present application in computer readable form on December 6, 2004. Applicants have also submitted herewith Statements Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.821, stating that the Sequence Listing content of the two, substitute compact disc copies is identical to the Sequence Listing recorded in computer readable form and originally submitted on December 6, 2004 (37 C.F.R. § 1.821(f)), and that the substitute compact disc copies do not contain new matter (37 C.F.R. § 1.821(g)).

In view of the above amendment to the specification, the Statements Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.821, and the accompanying Response to the Notification of Missing Requirements Under 35 U.S.C. § 371, applicants submit that this case is complete and ready for examination by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, and such examination is earnestly solicited.

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